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1. The 56-ton Polish railroad freight cars which are normally used for carrying coal are similar to the 60-ton Soviet type and can be adapted for use on the broad-gauge Soviet tracks by change of wheel sets or axles. The sides, which are attached with large iron pins, are removable, as is shown in Sketch #1. Although these freight cars are marked 56 tons and intended to carry 56 tons of coal, they can carry 70 tons as flatcars. In this form they would be used for tanks and other motorized vehicles of Soviet design.
2. The floor is reinforced with thick sheet iron and is equipped with lateral lashing hooks. At both ends there are very strong iron pieces which allow caterpillar vehicles to roll from one car to the next. These iron pieces are shown in Sketches #2 and #3. On the side of the car there is a wheel which is really a handbrake to hold the car immobile for the loading and unloading of tanks and other military vehicles. The wheel is shown in Sketch #4.

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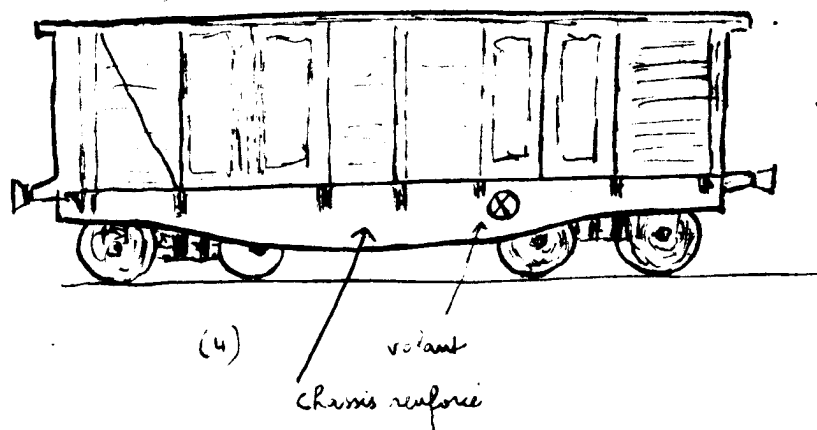
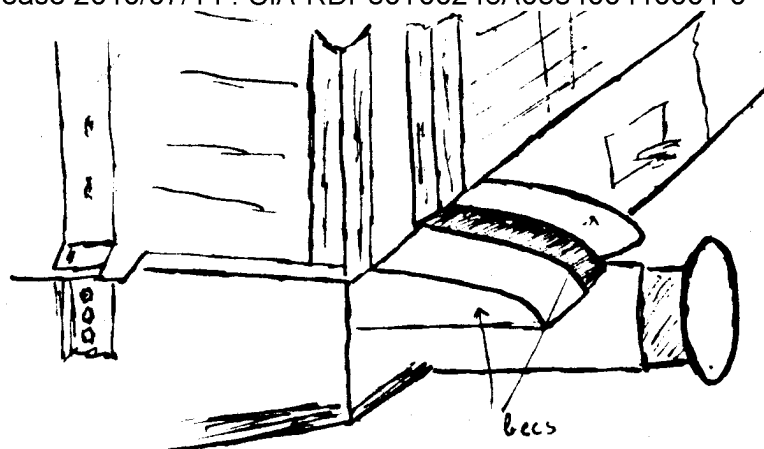
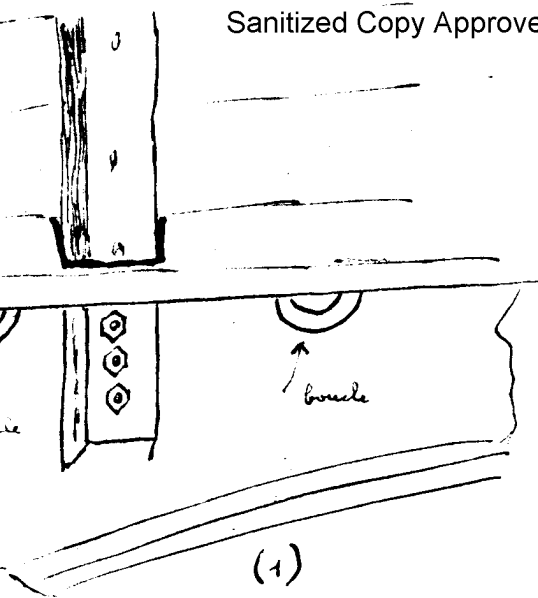
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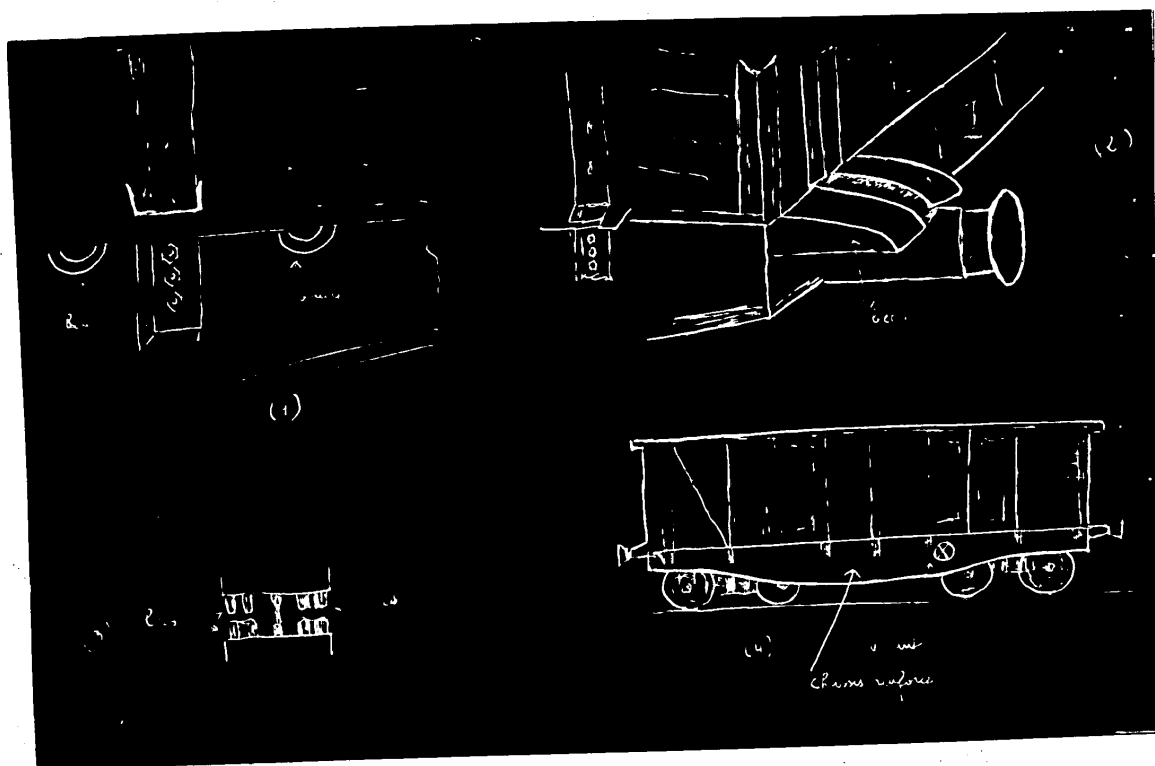
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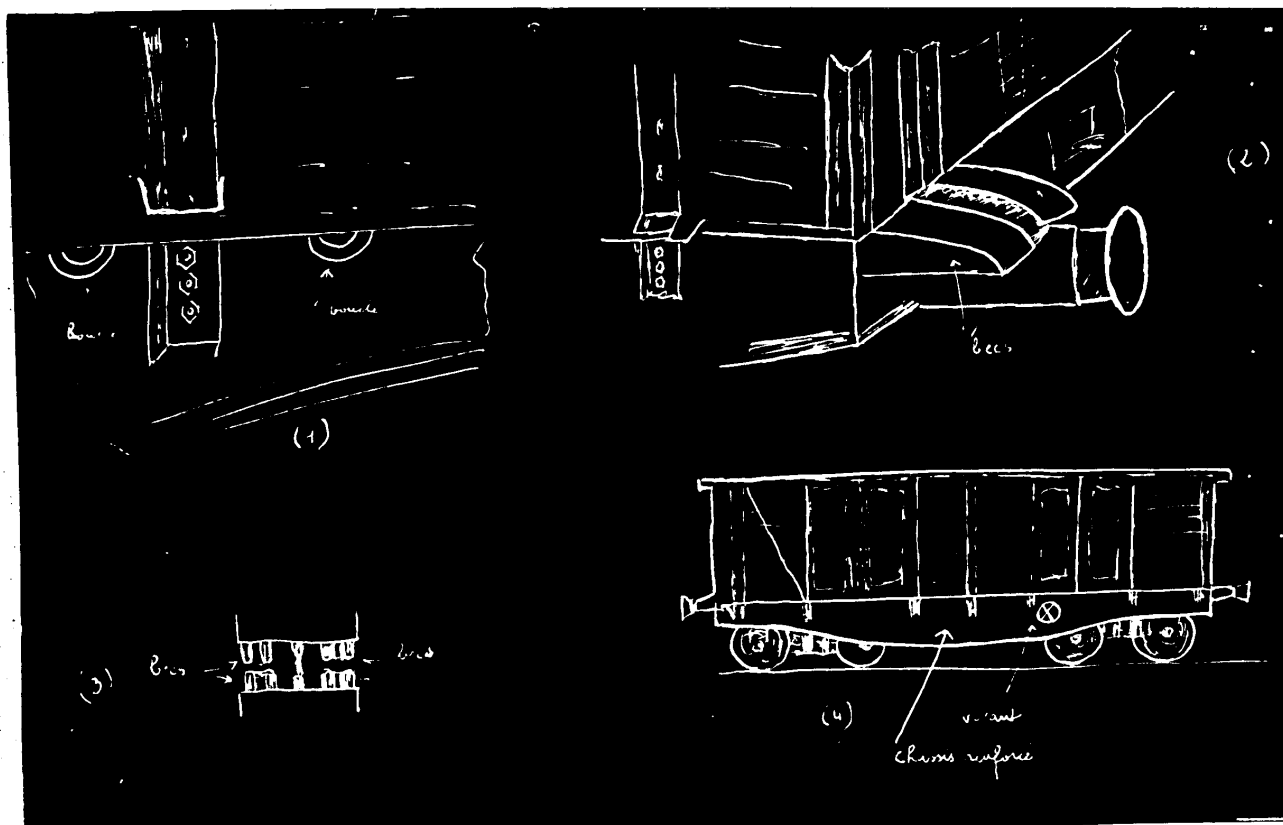
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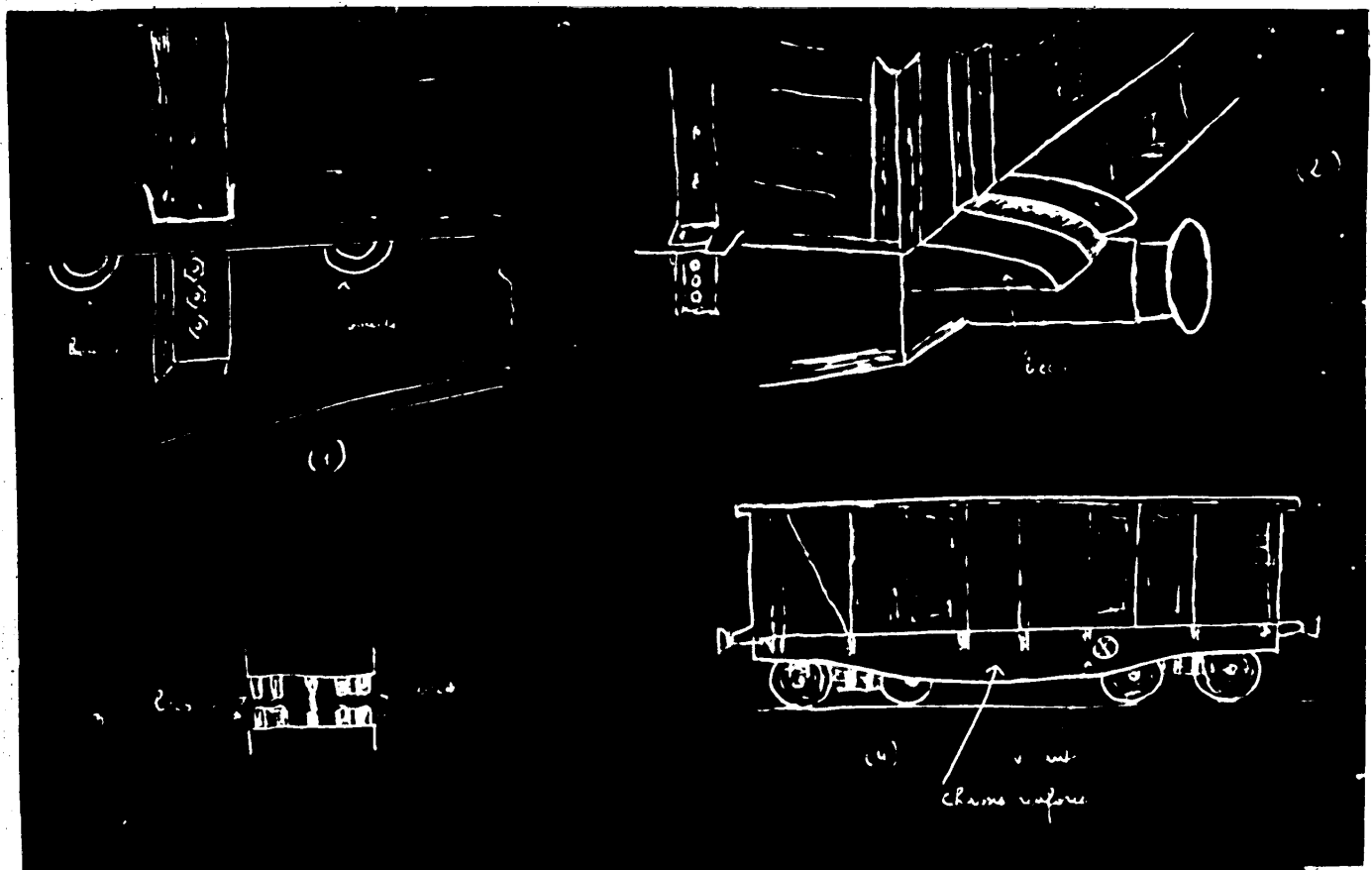
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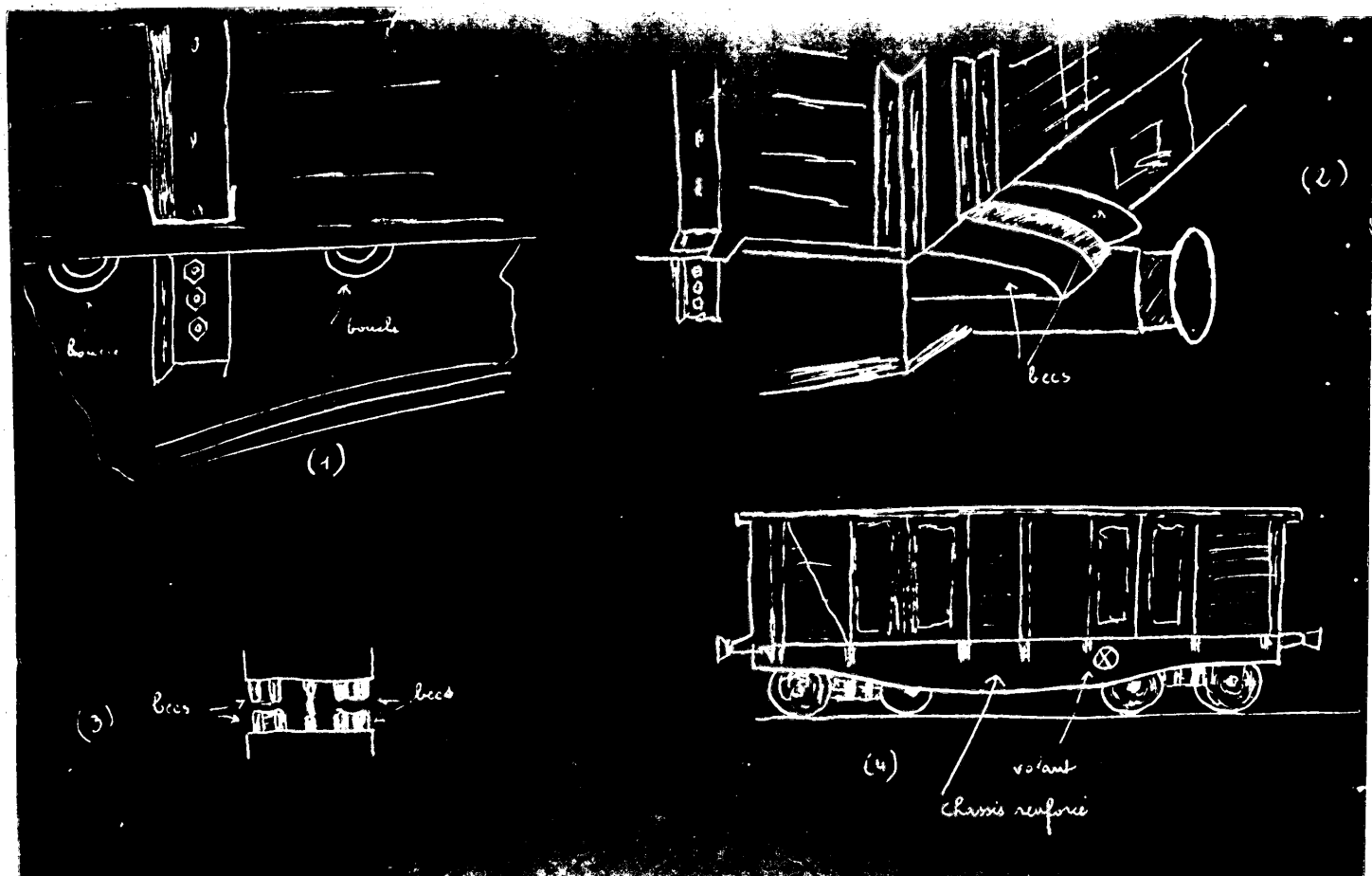
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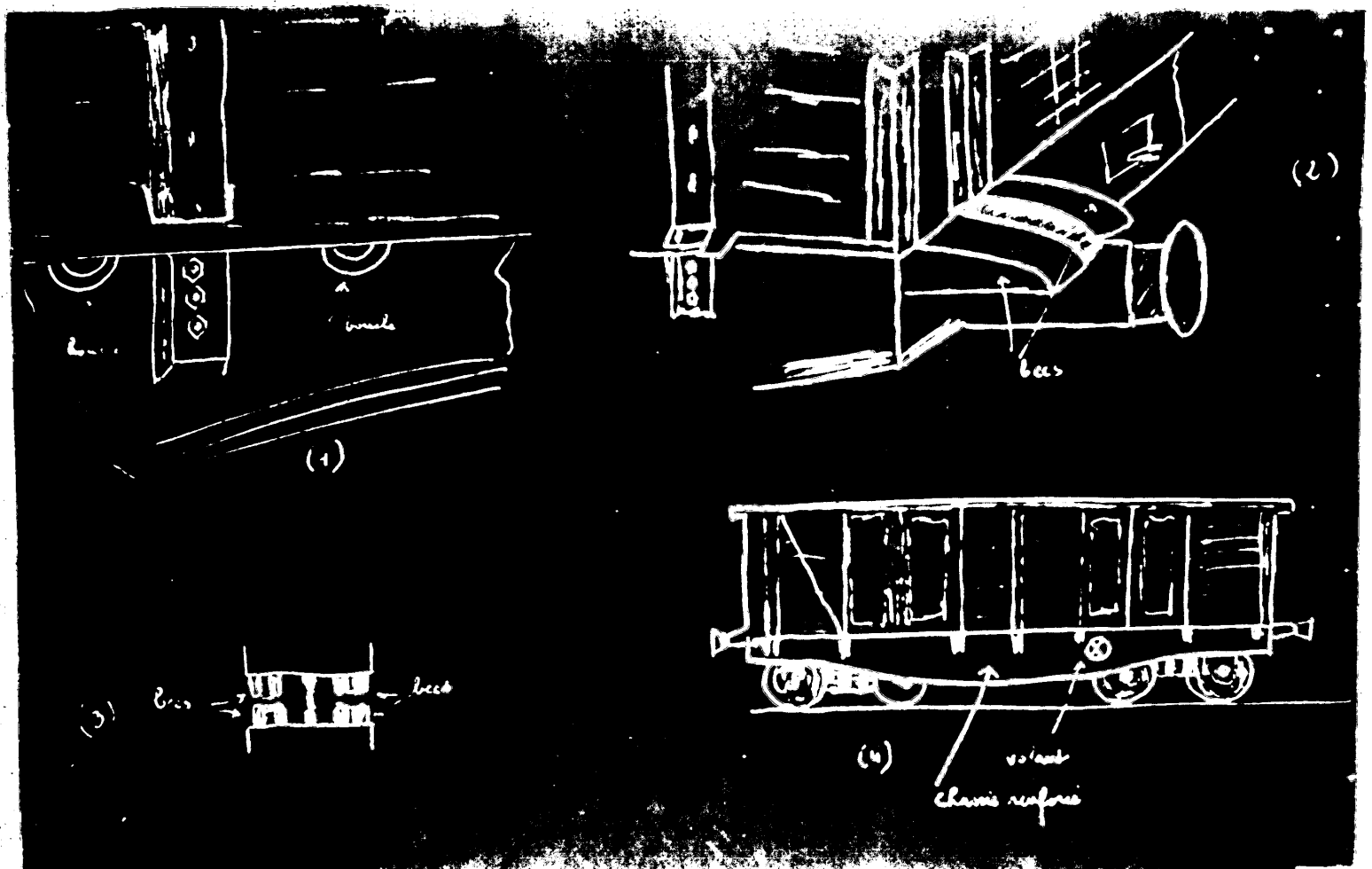




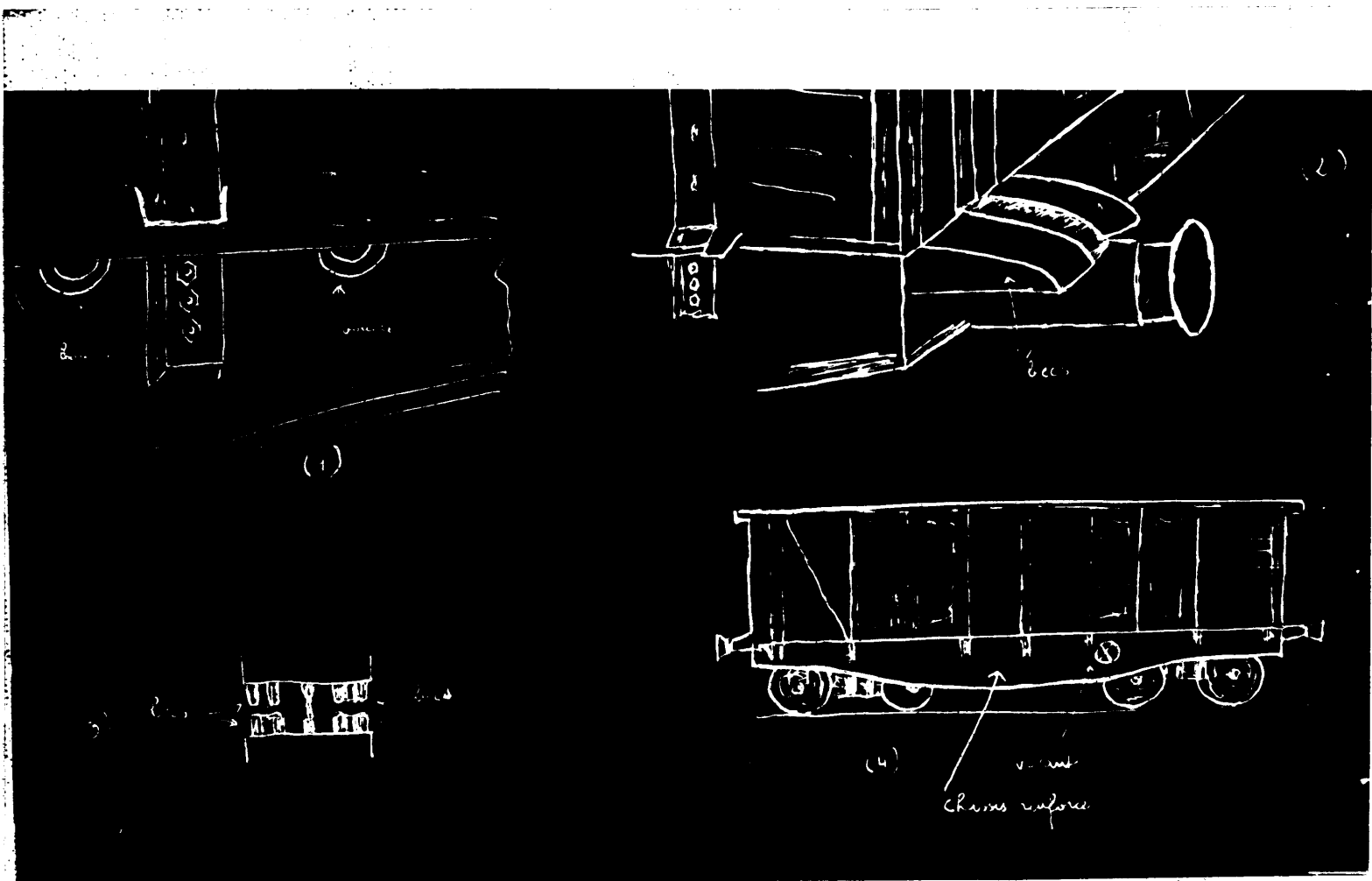




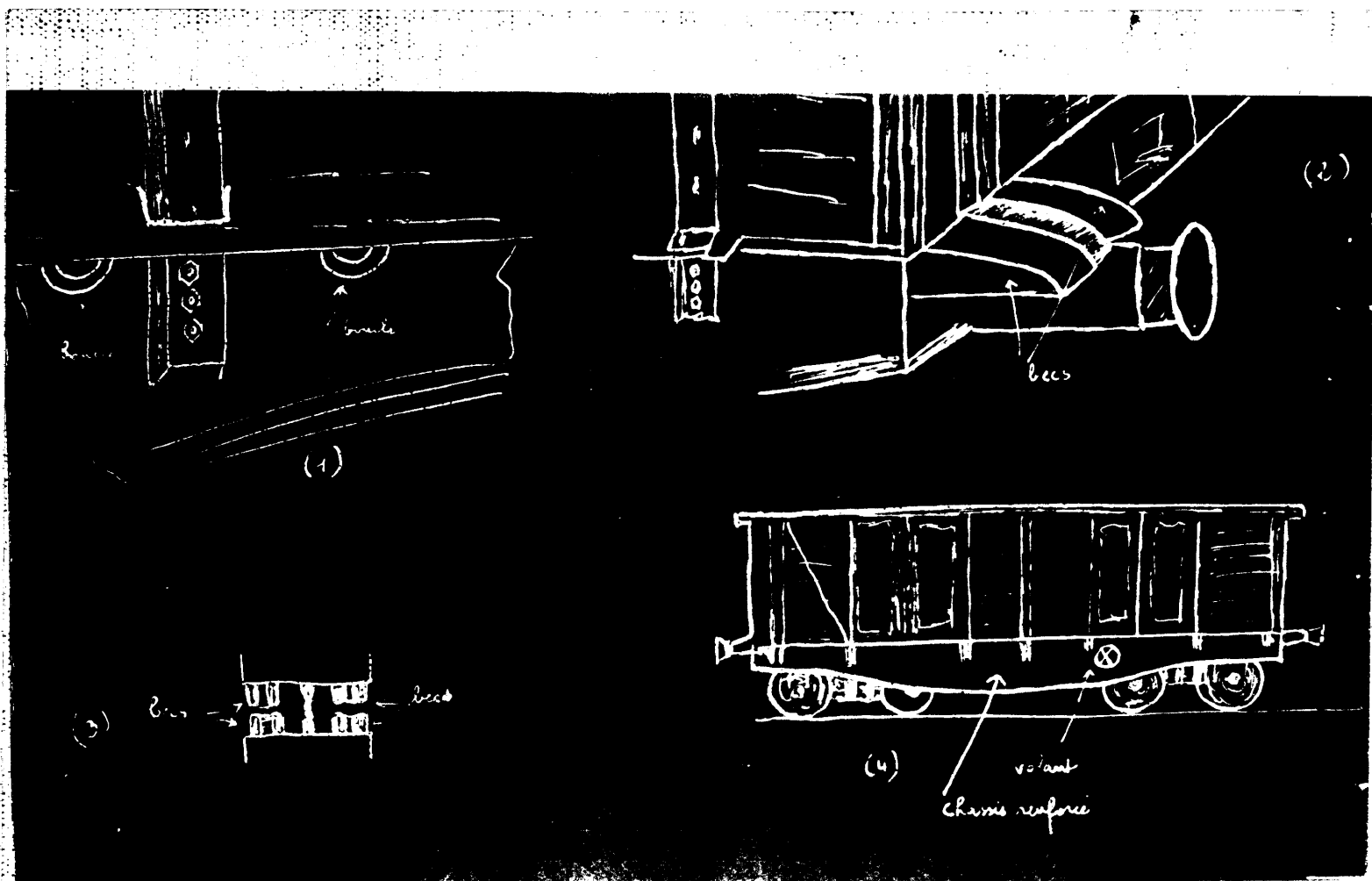


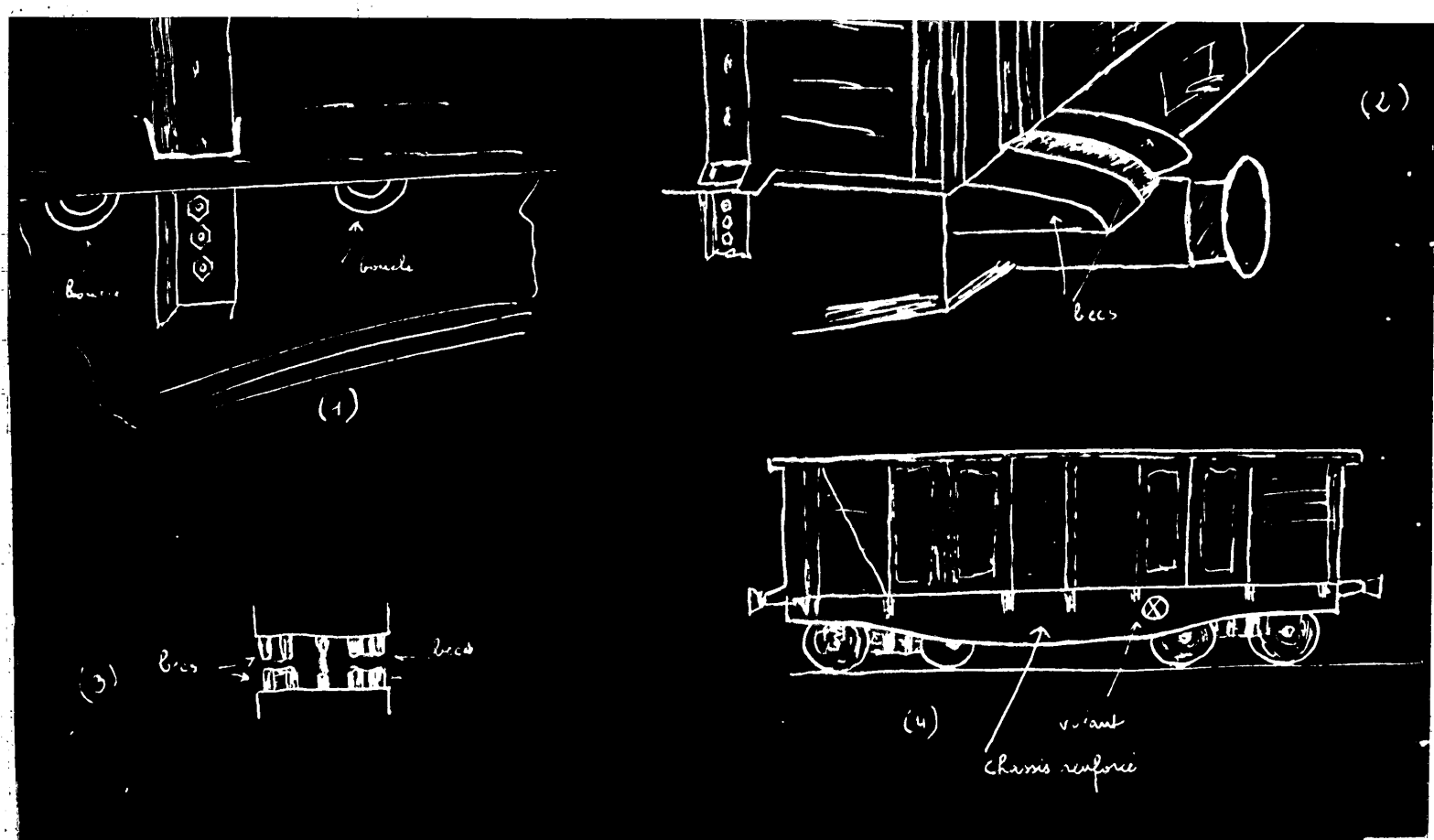


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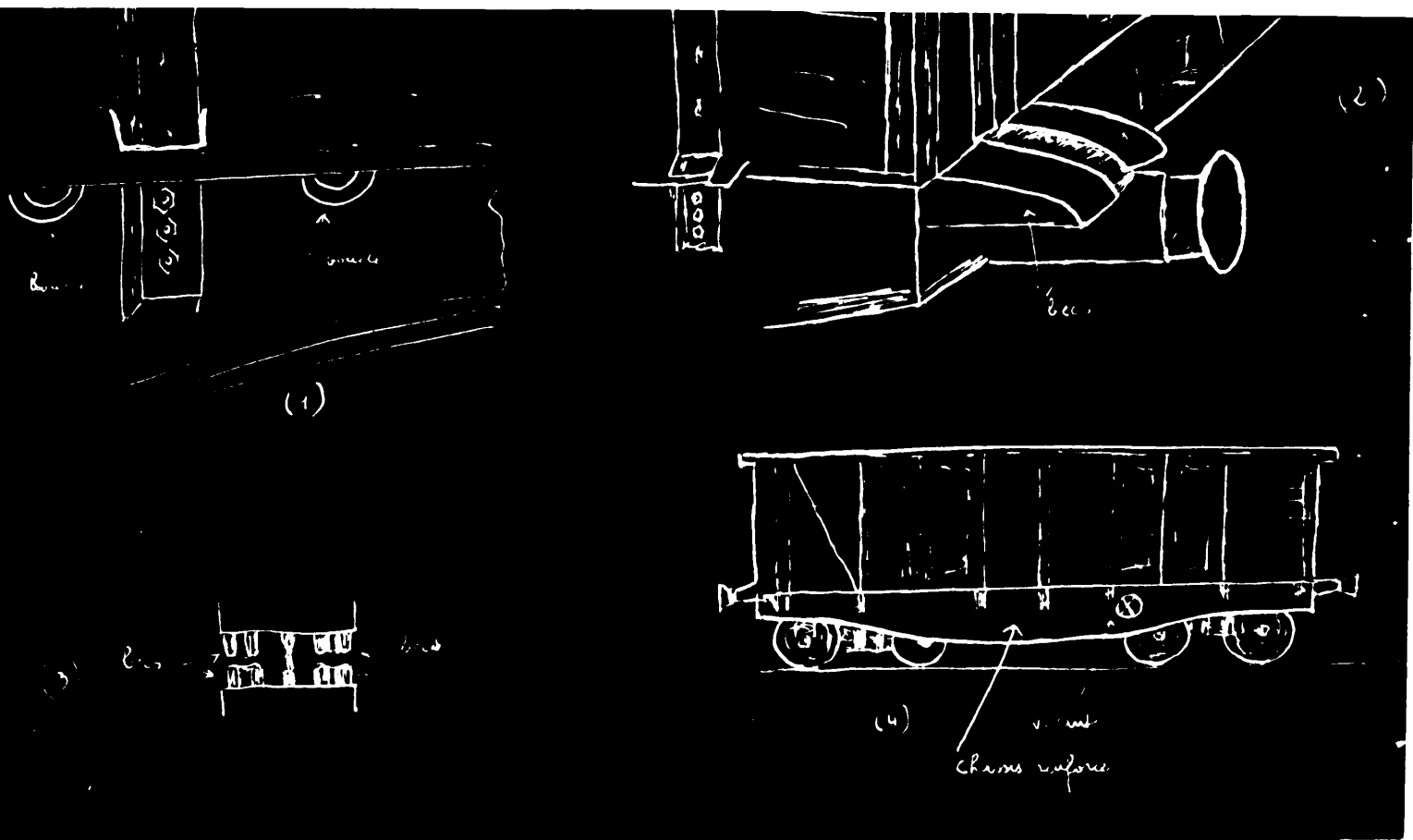


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